

HOUSE BILL NO. 214

INTRODUCED BY J. SHOCKLEY

A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR AN ADDITIONAL DISTRICT COURT JUDGE FOR THE 8TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT AND THE 21ST JUDICIAL DISTRICT ~~TO BE ELECTED AT THE NOVEMBER 2002 GENERAL ELECTION~~ TO BE ELECTED AT THE NOVEMBER 2002 GENERAL ELECTION; AMENDING SECTION 3-5-102, MCA; AND PROVIDING ~~AN A DELAYED AN A DELAYED~~ EFFECTIVE DATE AND AN APPLICABILITY DATE ~~AND AN APPLICABILITY DATE~~."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

Section 1. Section 3-5-102, MCA, is amended to read:

"3-5-102. Number of judges. In each judicial district, there must be the following number of judges of the district court:

- (1) in the 2nd, 7th, 16th, 18th, ~~and 20th, and 21st~~ districts, two judges each;
- (2) in the 1st, ~~8th~~, and 11th districts, three judges each;
- (3) in the 4th ~~district~~ and 8th districts, four judges;
- (4) in the 13th district, five judges;
- (5) in all other districts, one judge each."

NEW SECTION. Section 2. Effective date. [This act] is effective ~~July 1, 2001~~ JANUARY 1, 2002 ~~JULY 1, 2001~~ JANUARY 1, 2002.

~~NEW SECTION. Section 3. Transition -- applicability~~ ELECTION OF JUDGES. The additional judges for the 8th and 21st judicial districts must be appointed pursuant to the provisions of Title 3, chapter 1, part 10, to take office in January 2002. There must be an election for the offices ~~ELECTED~~ at the general election to be held in November 2002 for 6-year terms to begin ~~AND SHALL TAKE OFFICE~~ in January 2003.

~~NEW SECTION. SECTION 3. TRANSITION -- APPLICABILITY. THE ADDITIONAL JUDGES FOR THE 8TH AND 21ST JUDICIAL DISTRICTS MUST BE APPOINTED PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF TITLE 3, CHAPTER 1, PART 10, TO TAKE~~

1 ~~OFFICE IN JANUARY 2002. THERE MUST BE AN ELECTION FOR THE OFFICES AT THE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD IN~~
2 ~~NOVEMBER 2002 FOR 6-YEAR TERMS TO BEGIN IN JANUARY 2003.~~

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4 NEW SECTION. SECTION 3. ELECTION OF JUDGES. THE ADDITIONAL JUDGES FOR THE 8TH AND 21ST JUDICIAL
5 DISTRICTS MUST BE ELECTED AT THE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD IN NOVEMBER 2002 AND SHALL TAKE OFFICE IN
6 JANUARY 2003.

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